

PROTECT FROM PLAGUE | BATTLED WITH A GALE

TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE OF THE
JAMES MAKEE.

Mate and Sailors Nearly Washed Overboard Coming Out of Anahola.—Captain Tullett's Cabin Submerged.

For a while last Wednesday night Captain Tullet of the steamer James Mabee did not know whether his boat would reach Honolulu or go to the bottom. One of the worst gales he had seen in a long time and certainly the heaviest sea, was prevailing along the Kaula coast. Had the vessel not been a staunch little craft, she would not have weathered the storm.

Owing to the rough weather at Kilauea, the Macee did not finish landing her freight until much later than planned, so when she went into Anahola, it was not 'o'clock. Captain Tuliatt had had about 10,000 lbs of lumber aboard for that place so the stuff was made into rafts to be sent ashore. Three rafts were landed all right but when the last raft was to be landed, the men were so strong that the small boat could not get aheadway. For fully an hour the sailors were working at the oars, trying to get the lumber raft into shore but they could make no progress against the heavy sea. Finally, Captain Tuliatt sent word to the Macee that if he did not he would fasten the remaining raft together with chains and send a line into shore and let the crowd pull the lumber with the windmill. It was impossible for the men in the small boat to make headway and it was getting so rough that he had to get rid of the lumber and get out.

It was 30 p. m. when the little steamer started across the bar. The waves were the highest that had been seen at Anapa in years. They broke over the vessel's bow. Schultz and some of the Japanese crew went forward to lash the anchor. Suddenly a huge sea broke over the boat and swept the crowd of men away, to the deck. The Japanese were frightened out of their wits. They then wildly clutched Schultz around the body. There was so much water on deck that the Japanese thought they had been swept overboard and in his broken English, was howling for help.

The boat shoved her nose right into the sea and when she would rise again on a swell, her stern would go so low in the water that the sea would rush over the rail. The cabins of the purser and second mates were flooded.

First and second mate and the saloon were all flooded. Captain Tullett's cabin was soon flooded too. In addition to the heavy swell over the bar, there was a terrific north east gale blowing. The worst of the sea was experienced crossing the bar and getting away from Anahola but the sea was bad enough out from the land and soon there was not a dry spot aboard the little vessel. Two deck passengers were aboard and the poor people evidently felt that their end had come, for it was especially trying on them.

When the vessel reached Honolulu yesterday her smoke stack was white with salt crustations where the foam had dashed up, high above the hurricane deck. The Maakee will go out this afternoon again. She will make her first trip to Kapaa in over a month.

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